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OF OUR LORD AND SAVIOUR JESUS CHRIST

THE INCARNATION.—O most sweet Infant Jesus, who for our salvation didst descend from the bosom of the Eternal Father into the womb of the Virgin Mary, where, conceived by the Holy Ghost, thou didst take upon thee, O incarnate Word, the form of a servant—

Have mercy upon us.

℣. Holy Child Jesus. ℟. Hear us.

℣. Holy Child Jesus. ℟. Help us.

℣. Holy Child Jesus. ℟. Save us.

Blessed and praised for ever be the Holy Child Jesus, perfect God and perfect Man.

THE VISITATION.—O most sweet Infant Jesus, who by means of thy Virgin Mother didst visit St. Elisabeth, and, filling thy Fore-runner St. John Baptist with the Holy Spirit, didst sanctify him from his mother's womb—Have mercy upon us.

℣. Holy Child Jesus, etc.

THE EXPECTATION OF THE BIRTH.—O most sweet Infant Jesus, who for nine months enclosed in the womb didst wait for the time of thy birth, and didst meantime influence the heart of the Virgin Mary and St. Joseph with most ardent longings, and didst offer thyself to God the Father for the salvation of the world—Have mercy upon us. ℣. Holy.

THE HOLY NATIVITY.—O most sweet Infant Jesus, born of the Virgin Mary in Bethlehem, wrapped in swaddling clothes, laid in the manger, glorified by Angels and visited by the shepherds—Have mercy upon us. ℣. Holy Child.

THE CIRCUMCISION.—O most sweet Infant Jesus, circumcised when eight days old, called by the glorious Name of Jesus, and proclaimed both by thy Name and by thy Blood to be the Saviour of the world—Have mercy. ℣. Holy.

THE ADORATION OF THE MAGI.—O most sweet Infant Jesus, who wast manifested to the three kings who worshipped thee as thou didst lie in thy Mother's lap, and offered thee the mysterious presents of gold, and frankincense, and myrrh—Have mercy upon us. ℣. Holy.

THE PRESENTATION.—O most sweet Infant Jesus, presented in the temple by thy Virgin Mother, embraced by the holy man Simeon, and revealed to the Jews by Anna the Prophetess—Have mercy upon us. ℣. Holy Child Jesus, etc.

THE FLIGHT INTO EGYPT.—O most sweet Infant Jesus, whom Herod sought to slay, carried by St. Joseph with thy Mother into Egypt, saved from death by flight, and glorified by the blood of the Holy Innocents—Have mercy. ℣. Holy.

THE SOJOURN IN EGYPT.—O most sweet Infant Jesus, who didst dwell as an exile in Egypt for seven years, where thou utteredst thy first words, and, loosed from thy swathing bands, didst first walk on this earth and in the destruction of the idols didst work in a hidden manner thy first miracle—Have mercy. upon us. ℣. Holy Child Jesus. ℟. Hear us, etc.

THE RETURN FROM EGYPT.—O most sweet Infant Jesus, who, when Herod was dead, wast recalled out of Egypt into the land of Israel, and didst in the journey suffer many fatigues and hardships, and wast carried back by St. Mary and St. Joseph to the city of Nazareth—Have mercy. ℣. Holy Child.

THE LIFE IN THE HOLY HOUSE.—O most sweet Infant Jesus, who in the Holy House of Nazareth didst dwell most holily, and didst pass thy life in obedience, poverty, and toil, and, as thou didst increase in years, didst manifest to God and men signs of wisdom and grace—Have mercy upon us. ℣. Holy.

THE DISPUTING WITH THE DOCTORS.—O most sweet infant Jesus, who wast taken to Jerusalem when twelve years old, wast lost by thy parents, and sought for by them with sorrow, and after three days wast found, to their exceeding great joy, with the Doctors in the Temple—

Have mercy upon us.

℣. Holy Child Jesus. ℟. Hear us.
℣. Holy Child Jesus. ℟. Help us.
℣. Holy Child Jesus. ℟. Save us.
℣. The Word was made Flesh.
℟. And dwelt among us.

℣. Lord, hear our prayer.

℟. And let our cry come unto thee.

℣. The Lord be with you.

℟. And with thy spirit.

PRAYER

Let us pray.

O almighty and everlasting God, Lord of heaven and earth, who didst reveal thyself to little ones: grant, we beseech thee, that while we duly celebrate and honour the most holy mysteries of thy Son the Infant Jesus and worthily strive to imitate them, we may arrive at the heavenly kingdom, which thou hast promised to little children: Through the same Jesus Christ our Lord: Who liveth and reigneth with thee in the unity of the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end. ℟. Amen.

Our Father. Hail Mary. Glory be.

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